

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
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Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Kien Do
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Evangelization

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Business Manager

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:30 & 11:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 6:30, 8:00am
Saturday 8:00am

Holy Days

Vigil 6:00pm
6:30 & 8:00am,
12:10 & 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00-4:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays 12:45pm
Please contact the rectory to
make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married
are asked to contact the parish
priest at least 6 months in
advance.

Sacrament of the Sick

For those who are seriously
ill, aged or infirm, or who are
scheduled for surgery.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Stephanie Twohig, Kim O'Neill, Jeanne Mulvanerty, Donna Blumeris, Sarah Bradley, Charles Cognata, Tina Rovito, Kevin Haynes, Ed Kubala, Bill Lehner, Mary Packer, Jeff Walkenhorst

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Angela Kusterbeck, Jeanne Mulvanerty, Richard Craft, Joseph Chott, Robert Till, Rita Tuma

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

9:30 AM Melva Exner
11:30 AM Carmen Perez

Eucharistic Adoration will begin after the 8:30am Mass today with Benediction starting at 4:30pm.

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Special Intention

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Robert Dwyer

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026

7:00 PM Special Intention

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026

3:00 PM Good Friday

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026

7:00 PM Special Intention

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026

8:00 PM Special Intention
9:30 AM Dorothy Kwirenk
11:30 AM Kevin Donohue

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Col 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

**Requests for Prayers
Sick Prayer List:**

If you wish to have your name or the name of a loved one added to this prayer list, please call or email us. ***New names will appear in bold. Other than critical or terminal conditions, the names will remain on this list for 30 days.*** Please help us keep our prayer list current by letting us know when the status of a person on the sick list changes. Due to HIPAA laws, parish staff does not know if a parishioner is hospitalized or placed in a nursing home unless someone informs them. If you or a loved one would like the parish nurse or parish priest to visit the home or hospital, please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Sally Bellwoar
Michael Bushey
Ryan Carlton
Charles Carr
Jackie Chedeville
Nancy DeFelice
Brady Duperreault
Jamie Donnelly
Patrick Graham
Rosemary Grimm
Felix Houvig

Ginny Jackson
Wesley Jones
Libby Judge
Chris Kolmer
Tony Lopez
Timothy Mahoney
John McCabe
Mark Megaw
Mary Ann Moffitt
Madeleine O'Keefe
Jeanie Rogers

Paula Rudnick
Logan Schweiter
Greg Schmidt
Jessica Smucker
Debbie Snyder
Maryanne Sullivan
Sr. William Therese
Thomas Wallace
Kathleen Ward

Deceased Prayer List:

Margaret Maguire

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 29
Regular Sunday Schedule
Vigil Mass, Saturday, 5:00 PM
9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Palm distributed at all of the Masses.

Holy Thursday, April 2
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper and
Procession to the Altar of Repose
Adoration until 10:00 PM

Good Friday, April 3

11:45 AM Ministerium Walk from
Wayne Presbyterian to
St. Katharine of Siena

12:00 NOON Ecumenical
Good Friday Service

3:00 PM Liturgy of the Passion and Death
of our Lord, Holy Communion

Holy Saturday, April 4
7:00 PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 5
8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM



**OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE
Week of: 18 March - 24 March 2026**

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$11,018.00
Electronic Giving: \$5,531.00

Tuition: \$90,000.00

PARISH EXPENSES

Benefits: \$52,112.59
Maintenance: \$37,641.60
Administration Expenses:
\$27,540.89
Utilities: \$8,312.62
Diocesan Assessment:
\$14,675.00

Other Income: \$1,587.98
Weekly Income: \$108,136.98
YTD Income: \$4,096,893.18

Other Expenses: \$9,142.77
Weekly Expenses \$149,425.47
YTD Expenses: \$3,575,185.13

YTD Balance: \$521,708.05

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion and Holy Week

"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." (Mt 19:38). On *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*, we are called to join with our Lord, Jesus Christ, as he makes a triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and then suffers derision and mockery, scourging and finally crucifixion because he claims to be who he truly is – the Son of God – and comes to offer a new way of life. This week is, indeed, what we Christians call it: Holy Week. Throughout this week, we are reminded that God, who is holy, has called us to follow his son as he leads us from a life of sin to a life of holiness. Today, we join our Lord in Jerusalem, where he goes to accomplish his paschal mystery. We hear about his triumphant entry into Jerusalem as well as his humiliating passion and death on the cross. We take home the palm that is blessed at Mass today to drape around our crucifixes, uniting us with the crowd that welcomed Jesus, proclaiming him to be the "Son of David." The celebrant wears a red chasuble today, symbolic of the blood that Jesus shed on the cross. The Gospel, ordinarily proclaimed by a priest or deacon, is today proclaimed through the active participation of the entire congregation. All of this draws us into this most important week, when Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is betrayed and abandoned by his followers as he accomplishes the work that his heavenly Father has sent him to do. We, who have come to recognize our sinfulness and Jesus' saving power during this Lenten Season, are now called to decide whether or not we want to stay with the fickle crowd that one day acclaims Jesus as their savior and king and on another day calls for his death, or with the Christ who is willing to suffer humiliation, abandonment, agony and even death in obedience to the Father's will and for the good of his people.

As I noted at the beginning of the liturgical year last December, this is the year that features *The Gospel of Matthew*; today's Gospel reading will be taken from that gospel. Regardless of the gospel from which it is taken, however, no part of the life of Jesus is related with as much detail as his passion and death. This is God's great saving act, the climax of his saving acts throughout human history. It is *the* liturgical act, and it calls for our careful attention and active participation. Let me remind you about the definition of the word *liturgy*; it comes from the Greek word *λιτουργειν* and means a public act for the benefit of the people. Certainly, our Lord's offering himself at the Last Supper and on the cross at Calvary is the supreme public act for the benefit of all people, as he offers himself to his heavenly Father for our sins and offers himself to us for our salvation!

There are many opportunities this week to participate in this great liturgical event. On Holy Thursday, the only Masses permitted are the *Chrism Mass*, which is celebrated at the Cathedral of every (arch) diocese, and the *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper*. Fr. Kien and I will join with hundreds of other priests and deacons from throughout the Archdiocese at the *Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul* at 10:00am on Thursday to concelebrate the *Chrism Mass* with Archbishop Nelson Pérez. At this Eucharistic celebration, all of us priests will renew our priestly promises and Archbishop Pérez will bless the sacred oils that will be used in every parish throughout the year in the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and anointing of the sick. I ask that you keep us clergy – deacons, priests and bishops – in your prayers as we renew our ordination promises.

At 7:00pm, everyone is invited to join in the *Mass of the Lord's Supper* here at the parish when we participate in the celebration of the institution of the Eucharist. The church will remain open until 10:00pm for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Our Knights of Columbus will, once again, lead an inspirational hour of adoration immediately following Mass, using the Taizé prayer service format. This format was developed in Taizé, France, by an ecumenical group of brothers during World War II, and features repetitive, simple chants, song, periods of silence and scripture readings designed to quiet the mind, foster peace and encourage contemplation. I strongly encourage you to join in this Holy Hour as we all pray for peace in our very troubled world.

On Good Friday, we will, once again, have an *Ecumenical Good Friday Celebration* at noon. It will be celebrated this year here in our church preceded by a procession of the cross from the Wayne Presbyterian Church; that begins at 11:45am. We will also have the *Celebration of the Lord's Passion* here beginning at 3:00pm. It will include veneration of the cross and communion as well as a special collection to support the Christians in the Holy Land. I encourage your very generous response to this collection to ensure a continued Catholic presence in the land where our Lord and our Church was born.

Although commonly understood as lasting until before the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, Lent officially ends before evening prayer of Holy Thursday. At this time, the Easter Triduum begins, which lasts until the conclusion of evening prayer on Easter Sunday. Christ redeemed us all and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery: "dying he destroyed our death and rising he restored our life." Therefore, the Easter Triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. The Easter Triduum begins with the *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper* on Holy Thursday and reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 7:00pm next Saturday. This follows Church directives that the Easter Vigil not be celebrated at the time of day that it is customary to celebrate the Sunday Vigil Mass, thus setting it apart from every other Sunday. On Easter Sunday, we will add an 8:00am Mass to our regular Sunday 9:30 and 11:30am Masses. Those who receive communion at the Vigil may also receive at another Mass on Easter Day.

All of these liturgies provide us with the opportunity to share in this salvific event. It is important to recognize, however, that we are not just recalling what Jesus did for us in Jerusalem almost 2,000 years ago. We are not just spectators of his great sacrifice. The liturgies of these days do not just take us back to the Upper Room or on the path to Calvary. The purpose of our celebrations is not to merely retrace or relive the last hours of Jesus' life. Nor do we prepare for that chance to catch sight of Jesus emerging from the tomb at Easter's dawning. These liturgies celebrate not only what once happened to Jesus but also what is happening among us now as a people called to conversion, called in faith and gifted with the Spirit of holiness. That is why it is so important that we all participate in these liturgies. It is not like attending a sports event, where a team will win or lose whether we are there or not. Nor is it like going to a concert, where others perform for our entertainment. Rather, we are all the people God has created through his Word and now recreates through the Word made Flesh as a community, broken like bread for the world, offered for the sins of humanity, and raised to new life in our savior, Jesus Christ. Come, let us die with Jesus so that we will also rise with him!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Close-Knit Community

The Close-Knit Community is continuing its mission of creating warm items for the needy. Please consider joining them. They meet in the parish center every Wednesday from 1:00-2:30pm. All are welcome. For further information, please call Marie Rauscher at 610-608-4447.

Pray the Rosary

The Rosary group meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm in the church, parish center or grotto. Contact Mary Ann Mahoney at 610-324-3437 for more information.



Pre-Jordan/Baptismal Instruction

If you are having your first child baptized, the Archdiocese requires the parents to attend a Pre-Jordan class. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized Sadie Calhoun to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate her parents, Jeffrey and Kelsey Calhoun.



Aides Needed for Children’s Liturgy of the Word

We are thrilled to have so many children participating each week! At the same time, we typically have only one adult leading the group, and we can always use extra hands to help support the growing number of children who join us. Parents, grandparents, all -- please contact Michele Staves at mstaves@gmail.com if you are interested in being an aide on a rotating basis. Most aides will only be scheduled several times during the school year.

Home Visits

Would you like Holy Communion brought to you in your home? Please call the rectory at 610-688-4584.

 **SAVE THE DATE!** 
America 250 — SKS Style!
Sunday, May 17th • 4:00pm

The **SKS Music Ministry** and the **Knights of Columbus** present a patriotic concert for all ages celebrating the **250th anniversary of American Independence**, featuring the acclaimed **Mada & Hugh Piano Duo** and the **SKS Combined Choirs**. More details coming soon!

Cecilia Scholar



This Sunday we welcome guest cellist **Ezgi Yargici**. The cello’s rich, contemplative voice beautifully supports the prayerful character of Lent. Ezgi is an internationally experienced performer whose work spans Baroque through contemporary repertoire, and she also serves as a performance coach supporting musicians navigating performance anxiety and injury.



SKS SCHOOL CORNER

To read Principal Mulvanerty’s weekly newsletter visit the link below!

[SKSSCHOOL.ORG/BLOG](https://www.sksschool.org/blog)

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, of St. Katharine of Siena Parish, believe that we have been gifted with life, faith and discipleship. Empowered by Jesus in word and sacrament, we are called to grow in wisdom and grace, fidelity to His Church, and in service to our brothers and sisters.



SERVICE

Caring for Friends
Kim O'Neill
610-688-4584

Athletic Association
Michael Gompers
ad@sksparish.org

Cub Scouts
Jason Botzler
Shawn Sweeney
skspack219@gmail.com

C.A.R.E.S. (Children Are Receiving Extended Care)
Michael Gavin
610-587-7440

Close Knit Community
Marie Rauscher
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Family Promise
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Knights of Columbus
Tom Reusche
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Mercy Hospice Casserole Program
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610-306-9171
Jane Dooner
610-505-1436

Parish Library
Christine Purkiss
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Maria Carrillo
610-357-2392

WORSHIP

Adoration

Maureen Reilly
610-745-6320
Marie Northington
484-686-7744

Adult Altar Servers

Paul and Alicia Peterson
610-989-0277

Altar Servers

Dan Hayes
610-772-7760

Charismatic Prayer Group

Paul Hayes
610-687-8835

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Michele Staves
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Church Environment

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610-688-4584

Eucharistic Ministers

Patrice Polgar
484-620-2282

Liturgical Music Ministries

Laura Kerr
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Ministers of Hospitality

Janna Forte
484-432-2640

Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

Dan Hayes
610-772-7760

Pre Jordan

Stephanie Twohig
610-688-7890

Rosary Group

Mary Ann Mahoney
610-324-3437

CATECHESIS

Bible Study

Msgr. Brouwers
610-688-4584

Home and School Association

Allison Morris
homeandschool@sksschool.org

Marriage Preparation

Dan and Julie Pijawka
610-247-0582

Parish School

Jeanne Mulvanerty
610-688-5451

P.R.E.P. and P.R.E.P. Board (CCD Advisory Board)

Stephanie Twohig
610-688-7890

Respect Life

skspectlife@gmail.com

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Msgr. Brouwers
610-688-4584



Report Abuse to :

Office of Child and Youth Protection Archdiocese of Philadelphia
888-800-8780
www.archphila.org/protection

Pennsylvania Child Abuse Hotline
1-800-932-0313

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Alcoholics Anonymous

Contact Rectory
610-688-4584

Mothers of Young Children

Kristen Nicholls
moyc@sksparish.org

Parish Center Reservations

Kim O'Neill
610-688-4584

Walking with Purpose

Kate Mallach
215-858-9507

Maureen Reilly
610-745-6320

Faithful Families

Kate Mallach
215-858-9507

Retrouvaille: Marriage Help

215-766-3944
www.marriagehelpdelval.org

Gym Reservations

Ben Piazza
215-760-9743

OUT OF PARISH RESOURCES

Archdiocesan Information
215-587-3600

Crisis Pregnancy Line
1-800-CARE-002

Metropolitan Tribunal
215-587-3750

Separated and Divorced Catholics
215-587-0500

If you are interested in learning more about any of the groups call the contact name above or the rectory at 610-688-4584.